

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	:	S3 17Cr0512-05
	:	(DLC)
-v-	:	
	:	<u>ORDER</u>
JOEL TAPIA,	:	
Defendant.	:	
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DENISE COTE, District Judge:

On September 26, 2020, the Government submitted a letter to the Hon. Kimba Wood requesting that a Curcio hearing be scheduled.

On October 21, the defendant's case was transferred to this Court solely for the purposes of conducting the Curcio hearing. Following the hearing, it will be returned to Judge Wood. It is hereby

ORDERED that a Curcio hearing is scheduled for **November 6, 2020 at 2 p.m.** in Courtroom 18B, 500 Pearl Street.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, all individuals seeking entry to 500 Pearl Street must complete a questionnaire and have their temperature taken before being allowed entry into the courthouse. **To gain entry to 500 Pearl Street, follow the instructions provided here:**


<https://nysd.uscourts.gov/sites/default/files/2020-07/SDNY%20Screening%20Instructions.pdf>

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all individuals must practice social distancing at all times in the courthouse. Individuals also must wear face masks at all times in the courthouse unless the Court authorizes their removal.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that by **October 28, 2020**, defense counsel must advise the Court of how many spectators will attend the proceeding. The parties must advise the Court by the same date how many individuals will be seated at counsel's tables. Special accommodations may need to be made if more than **ten** spectators are expected to attend, or more than **three** individuals are expected to be seated at each counsel's table.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that members of the press and family members who are not able to attend the in-court proceeding may listen to the proceeding through a telephone link by calling **888-363-4749** and using access code **4324948**.

Dated: New York, New York  
October 21, 2020

  
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DENISE COTE  
United States District Judge